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March 31, 2020

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**Transitional Housing for Youth Formerly in Foster Care**

When young people exit foster care, it can be challenging to find resources and housing opportunities. Transitional Housing Program Plus (THP+) has been a critical housing program for youth ages 18 to 25 who were formerly in foster care. However, despite the size of its foster care system, Los Angeles County can only accommodate 82 youth at any given time in this program.

Recently, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved a 50% increase in capacity to the THP+ program, recognizing that this program must be expanded to account for the number of youth who exit foster care each year. In addition to this County commitment, the California Department of Housing and Community Development issued an Allocation Acceptance form dated February 7, 2020, under the Transitional Housing Program for \$8 million as authorized by item 2240-102-0001 of section 2.00 of the Budget Act 2019 (Chapter 23 of the Statutes of 2019) and Chapter 11.7 (commencing with Section 50807) as part of 2 of Division 31 of the Health and

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Safety Code.

The Transitional Housing Program allocation will be administered by participating counties for the purpose of housing stability to help young people ages 18 to 25 years old to secure and maintain housing through THP+. This is a critical opportunity and Los Angeles County should leverage it to support young people previously in foster care.

**WE, THEREFORE, MOVE** that in order to participate in the State of California Transitional Housing Program funding allocation, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve the attached resolution authorizing the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to participate in the Transitional Housing Program funding allocation.
2. Instruct the Director of DCFS, or his or her designee, to accept the Transitional Housing Program Allocation award for Los Angeles County by submitting the application with the approved resolution by the Board of Supervisors.
3. Delegate authority to the Director of DCFS, in consultation with County Counsel, to execute amendments to THP-Plus contracts to increase the maximum contract sum to distribute the new funding allocation and accommodate an increase in units of service.
4. Delegate authority to the Director of DCFS, in consultation with County Counsel, to amend THP-Plus contracts for necessary programmatic changes.
5. Instruct DCFS to report back to the Board ninety (90) days after funding is issued with an implementation plan.

**Transitional Housing Program Allocation Acceptance Resolution for Counties**

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

County of Los Angeles

IN THE MATTER OF: Transitional Housing for Youth Formerly in Foster Care  
RESOLUTION NUMBER: Agenda Item No. 70-C

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE  
COUNTY ALLOCATION AWARD UNDER THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State of California, Department of Housing and Community Development ("Department") issued an Allocation Acceptance form, dated February 7, 2020 under the Transitional Housing Program ("THP" or "Program") for \$8 million authorized by item 2240-102-0001 of section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2019 (Chapter 23 of the Statutes of 2019) and Chapter 11.7 (commencing with Section 50807) of part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code.

WHEREAS, the Allocation Acceptance form relates to the availability of the  
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM Allocation funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles Department of Children and Family Services Applicant"), was mentioned in the Allocation Acceptance form, dated February 7, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the **Board of Supervisors for the County of Los Angeles ("County")** does hereby determine and declare as follows:

SECTION 1. That Applicant is hereby authorized and directed to apply for and accept their TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM Allocation award, as detailed in the Allocation Acceptance form, up to the amount authorized the Allocation Acceptance form and applicable state law.

SECTION 2. That **the Director of the Department of Children and Family Services**, or his or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed to act on behalf of County in connection with the TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM Allocation award, and to enter into, execute, and deliver any and all documents required or deemed necessary or appropriate to be awarded the TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM Allocation award, and all amendments thereto (collectively, the "TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM Allocation Award Documents").

SECTION 3. That Applicant shall be subject to the terms and conditions that are specified in the TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM Allocation Award Documents, and that Applicant will use the TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM Allocation award funds in accordance with the Allocation Acceptance form, other applicable rules and laws, the THP Program Documents, and any and all THP requirements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 31<sup>ST</sup> day of March, 20 20, by the following vote:

Solis  
Ridley-Thomas  
Muehl, Hahn and  
AYES: Barger NOES: NONE

ABSTENTIONS: NONE ABSENT: NONE

Signature of Attesting Officer:



CELIA ZAVALA

Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

BY: Maria Chiron  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mary C. Wickham

County Counsel

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